

WHIL.10 World War I Notes

World War I (1914-1918)

Caused by MANIACS

- M. Militarism (mobilization)
- A. Alliances divide Europe into competing camps
- N. Nationalistic feelings (desire for war)
- I. Imperialism
- A. Alliances cause **diplomatic failures**
- C. Competition over colonies in Africa/Asia
- S. Serbian assassination of Archduke Ferdinand

****Von Schliefflin's Plan-Swift German**

Victory

Outcome of WWI

1. WWI ended in 1918 when Germany signed an armistice, agreement to stop fighting
2. Colonies of European countries that participated in the war, increased demands for independence from mother countries
3. WWI put an end to European empires:
 - German, Austro-Hungarian, Ottoman, Imperial Russia
4. Enormous cost of the war:
 - Lives lost, property damaged, social disruptions

Russian Revolution (1917)

Causes of the Russian Revolution

- The Russian Revolution put Tsar Nicholas II in J.A.I.L.
- J- Japan humiliates Russia in Russo-Japanese War (1905)
- A- Abundance of military defeats and high casualties in WWI
- Losing battles - millions dying
- I- Incompetence of Tsar Nicholas II
- Food and fuel shortages – Tsar couldn't help
- L- Landless peasants want land
- Peasants worked land they didn't own

Rise of Communism

- Vladimir Lenin
- Led Bolshevik(Communist) party in Russia
- promised peace, land and bread
- led Bolshevik Revolution in 1917
- Bolsheviks overthrew Russia's provisional government
- defeated anti-communists in Russian Civil War
- Russia drops out of WWI (1917)
- Becomes U.S.S.R.(Soviet Union)
- Lenin's plan =New Economic Policy (NEP), which allows some capitalism to help economy